LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

Twenty Seventh Session

January- 1873

M I N U T E S

of the

TWENTY-SEVENTH SESSION

of the

LOUISIANA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

of the

METHODIST E. CHURCH SOUTH

Held in New Orleans, Louisiana, January 8-13th.

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Bishop Geo. F. Pierce, Presiding.

Chas. F. Evans, Secretary

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NEW ORLEANS
A. W. Hyatt, Printer, No. 38 Camp Street
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Question 1. Who are admitted on trial?

Answer: Jno. G. Krauter, James Shelton White, Robert S. Isbell, Thomas F. Webb, William V. Taylor, Jacob D. Harper, Thomas S. Randle, James J. Billingsley, William Hart, Albert M. Wailes - 10.

Q. 2. Who remain on trial?
A. Christian Keener, Samuel H. Schroeder, Thomas Mullett, Enos B. Faust, John W. Hearn. - 5.

Q. 3. Who are discontinued?
A. None.

Q. 4. Who are admitted into full connection?
A. Philip Allen, Joseph W. Medlock - 2

Q. 5. Who are readmitted?
A. C. R. Godfrey - 1

Q. 6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?
A. Silas H. Cooper and J. Marshall Brown, from Alabama Conference; George Jackson, Reynolds S. Trippett and George M. Liverman, from Mississippi Conference; J. G. Worley, from North Georgia Conference; R. W. Flournoy and Benjamin J. Baldwin from South Georgia Conference; William

V. Taylor and Enos B. Foust from North Mississippi Conference. - 10.

Q.7. Who are the Deacons of one year?
A. Jno. A. G. Rabe, William F. Alexander, J. Gorton Miller, James M. Franklin, Richard H. Adair.

Q.8. & 9. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained Deacons?
A. Christian Keener, Philip Allen - 2

Q. 10 & 11. What local preachers are elected and ordained Deacons?
A. Geo. W. Reeves, Jacob D. Harper - 2.

Q. 12 & 13. What traveling preachers are elected and ordained Elders?
A. Jno A. G. Rabe, J. Gorton Miller, James M. McKee, Joseph W. Medlock, Robert Randle, Richard H. Adair - 6.

Q. 14. What local preachers are ordained Elders?
A. John Aiken - 1

Q. 15. What local preachers are ordained Elders?
A. None.

Q. 16. Who are located this year?
A. Richard M. Crowson, at his own request.-1

Q. 17. Who are supernumerary?
a. Whitmel P. Kimball, Joseph H. Stone, Philip H. Dieffenweirth - 3.

Q. 18. Who are superannuated?
A. Samuel Armstrong, John S. Davis, Henry C. Thweatt, Almarin G. Miller, William E. Doty, Edwin W. Yancey, Philo M. Goodwyn, Joel Saunders, Fisher T. Rawson. - 9.

Q. 19. What preachers have died during the year?
A. None.

Q. 20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?
A. Their names were called over, one by one, their characters were examined and passed.

M E M B E R S H I P

Question 21. What is the number of preachers and members in the several Circuits, Stations and Missions of the Conference?

Answer:

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT	Members		Local Preachers	
	White	Colored	White	Colored
Carondelet Street	471	2	2	
Felicity Street	340	2	3	
Moreau Street	110			
Dryades Street, German	113			
Craps Street, German	130			
Soraparu & Carrollton,Ger	28			
Cadiz Street & Carrollton and Louisiana Avenue	90		1	
Baton Rouge	212			
Plaquemine & Grosse Tete	12			
Algiers & Thibodeaux	56		1	

OPELOUSAS DISTRICT	Members		Local Preachers	
	WHITE	COLORED	WHITE	COLORED
Opelousas	103		1	
New Iberia	204			
Franklin & Pattersonville	157		1	
Vermillion & Abbeville	148		3	
Bellevue	381		2	
Plaquemine Brule	78			
Washington	144			
Lake Charles Mission	105		1	
Sugar Town Mission	170		5	
Calcasieu Mission	200	34	1	
Grand Chenere, Mission	40			
	1730	34	14	
ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT				
Alexandria & Pineville	60			
Evergreen & Big Cane	140			
Bayou Boeuff & Spring Creek	160			
Simmsport Circuit				
Harrisonburg & Trinity	20	7	1	
Columbia Circuit	288			
Triune	14			
Centerville Mission	225			
Atlanta	210			
Rapides Circuit & Mission	316	15	5	
	1433	22	6	
SHREVEPORT DISTRICT				
Shreveport	150		1	
Caddo	180		3	
Keachie	160			
Mansfield	178		1	
Pleasant Hill	260		2	
Manny	171			
Anacoco	238		4	

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT CONT'D.	Members		Local Preacher	
Natchitoches Mission				
Springville	246		1	
Shreveport German Mission				
	1583		12	
MINDEN DISTRICT				
Minden	289		1	
North Bossier	154		1	
South Bossier	140			
Mount Lebanon	170		1	
Sparta	229		2	
Bisteneau	65			
	1047		5	
OUACHITA DISTRICT				
Monroe	93			
Trenton	130			
Ouachita Circuit	353		1	
Farmerville	232	32	5	
Haynesville	410		3	
Homer	397		5	
Vernon	428		2	
Castor & Louisville	219			
	2262	32	16	
LAKE PROVIDENCE DISTRICT				
Providence Circuit	64		1	
Floyd & Delhi	172			
Oak Grove	135		5	
Waterproof & Tensas Chapel	85		3	
Wesley & Jordan Chapel	40			
Sicily Island	198			
Winnsboro	410		2	
Rayville	170		2	
Bastrop	118		2	
Lind Grove	118			

RECAPITULATION	Members		Local Preachers	
	WHITE	COLORED	WHITE	COLORED
New Orleans District	1562	4	7	
Opelousas District	1730	34	14	
Alexandria District	1433	22	6	
Shreveport District	1583		12	
Minden District	1047		5	
Ouachita District	2262	32	16	
Lake Providence District	1510		15	
Total	11127	92	75	
Last Year	9770	2266	77	19
Increase	1357			
Decrease		*2174	2	19

* This decrease is referable to the transfer of whole Congregations and Districts to the Louisiana Conference of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church of America.

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Questions 22 & 23. How many infants and adults have been baptised during the year?

Answer:

	INFANTS	ADULTS
New Orleans District	125	23
Opelousas District	247	143
Alexandria District	97	135
Shreveport District	121	91
Minden District	51	97
Ouachita District	50	112
Lake Providence District	265	333
Total number of Baptisms -	956	934

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Question 24, 25, and 26. What is the number of Sunday Schools, teachers and scholars?

Answer:

(Statistics on following pages)

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT	Number of Schools	No. Officers & Teachers	Number of Scholars	Volumes in Library	Money Collected for Schools	Visitors	Scholars rec'd into
Carondelet Street	2	50	320	1500	$ 2463 44	336	11
Felicity Street	1	40	250	1550	644 60	260	7
Moreau Street	1	17	140	1300	130 90	200	
Dryades Street	1	20	135	450	53 50	200	2
Craps Street	1	13	90	400	100 00	100	10
Soraparu & Carrollton, German	1	10	60	300	50 00	60	4
Cadiz & Carrollton and Louisiana Avenue	2	12	150	600	112 25		
Algiers and Thibodeaux	1	14	149	400	84 75	50	20
Baton Rouge	1	10	60	300	60 00		2
Plaquemine & Grosse Tete							
	11	186	1354	6800	$3699 44	1206	56
MINDEN DISTRICT							
Minden	3	36	170	620	30 00		3
North Bossier	1	8	26	100	25 00	26	
South Bossier	2	14	80	350	20 00		
Mount Lebanon	3	20	108	200	15 00	25	
Sparta					20 00	25	
	9	78	384	1270	$110 00	76	3

OPELOUSAS DISTRICT	Number of Schools	Officers & Teachers	Number of Scholars	Volumes in Library	Collected for Schools	Visitors Taken	Scholars rec'd into Church
Opelousas	1	11	80	200	$ 8 00	144	
New Iberria	1	11	60	500	50 25	142	3
Franklin & Pattersonville	2	22	115	715	70 50	86	24
Vermillion and Abbeville	5	25	165	335	120 00	12	
Bellevue	1	14	121	200	8 00	55	6
Plaquemine Brulee	1		25				
Washington	3	21	111	600	17 00	36	
Lake Charles Mission	2	8	45	125			
Sugar Town Mission	2	8	50	100			
Calcasieu Mission	2	8	48	100			
Grand Cheniere Mission	2	18	65	175	25 00	20	25
	22	148	885	3050	$298 75	495	58
ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT							
Alexandria & Pineville	1	6	30				
Evergreen and Big Cane	3	13	100	100	25 00		
Bayou Boeuff							
Spring Creek Mission	4	8	120				

Columbia Circuit & Triune	8	20	150	150		2	
Centerville Mission	1	7	70	100		40	
Atlanta							
Rapides Circuit & Mission	3	10	75	250	$10 00	10	10
SHREVEPORT DISTRICT							
Shreveport	1	17	168	400	78 00	125	
Caddo	1			300	20 00	30	
Keachie	1	10	40	250	40 00		
Mansfield	1	15	75	300	35 45	240	5
Pleasant Hill	3	30	150	100	100 00	60	
Manny					75		
Anacoco							
Natchitoches Mission							
Springville	5	27	150	500	6 00	8	6
Shreveport German Mission							
	12	99	583	1850	$240 20	463	11
OUACHITA DISTRICT							
Monroe	1	6	40	350	$ 50 00	100	4
Trenton	1	14	60	300	46 02	215	
Ouachita Circuit	1	6	30	150	20 00	70	6
Farmerville	4	12	100	300		50	3
Haynesville	7	20	250	600	69 75	65	

Homer	3	30	150	500	$ 20 00		
Vernon	3	24	125	1000			
	20	112	755	3200	$205 77	500	13
LAKE PROVIDENCE DISTRICT							
Providence Circuit	2	12	50	70	50 00	24	11
Floyd & Delhi	2	12	90	400	50 00	37	3
Oak Grove	2	15	60	200			
Waterproof & Tensas Chapel	3	15	80	400	50 00	30	2
Sicily Island	2	12	38	56	6 50	25	10
Winnsboro	4	27	145	350	115 00	70	50
Rayville	2	13	62	350	6 20	24	
Bastrop	1	10	50	300	15 00	84	10
Lind Grove	2	8	60	200	33 00	93	8
	20	124	635	2320	325 70	387	94
RECAPITULATION							
New Orleans District	11	186	1354	6800	$3699 44	1206	56
Opelousas District	22	146	885	3050	298 75	495	58
Alexandria District	20	64	545	600	35 00	52	18
Shreveport District	12	99	583	1850	240 20	463	11
Minden District	9	78	384	1270	110 00	76	3
Ouachita District	20	112	755	3200	205 77	500	13
Lake Providence District	20	124	635	2320	325 70	387	94
TOTALS	114	809	5141	19090	$4914 86	3179	253

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT

Question 27. What amount is necessary for the Superannuated Preachers, and the Widows and Orphans of Preachers?
Answer: - $2923 48.

Question 28. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?
Answer: - $2923 48.

Applied - To Superannuates:

Henry C. Thweatt	$150 00	
Joel Saunders	300 00	
Fisher T. Rawson	450 00	
Philo M. Goodwyn	293 48	
Edwin W. Yancey	200 00	$1398 48

To Widows and Orphans:

Widow of Jones H. Waters	$150 00	
" Fielding Bell	150 00	
" Richmond Randle	150 00	
" Uriah Whatley	150 00	
" Thomas Samford	150 00	
Widow and Orphans of R. R. R. Alexander	230 00	
W. G. McGaughey	230 00	
Orphans of C. H. Halberg	160 00	
" W. J. McFarland	40 00	
" Samuel Hawes	40 00	
" B. C. Stegall	80 00	$1530 00
		$2923 48

Bishops' Claim:

Amount of Claim (Bishop) - -	$ 1270 00	
Amount Collected	1449 40	$179 40
Surplus - - - - - - - - - - - -		$179 40

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RESOLUTIONS

RESOLVED, That each preacher shall endeavor to interest the members of his charge in the support of our Bishops, by calling upon them to contribute for this object.

RESOLVED, That the Bishops' Claim for the ensuing year be $1200 00, and be apportioned to the several Districts as follows, with instructions that the Presiding Elders divide the amount for their respective Districts among the several Circuits and Stations:

APPORTIONMENT

New Orleans District	$450 00
Opelousas District	100 00
Alexandria District	100 00
Shreveport District	150 00
Ouachita District	200 00
Lake Providence District	200 00
	$ 1200 00

RESOLVED, That in order to meet the claims of Superannuates and Widows and Orphans, the preachers pay five per cent of their total receipts.

RESOLVED, That the Chairman of the Board of Finance be instructed to distribute the funds among the Conference claimants, on the basis of the former quarterage claims.

RESOLVED, That Rev. R. J. Harp be requested to take the money appropriated to orphans of Rev.

C. J. Halberg, with discretionary power to use it in their behalf.

Board of Finance for 1873

Clerical:	Lay:
Chas. W. Carter	J. L. Scales
J. D. Adams	H. J. Keller
T. B. White	David Riggs
Jno. F. Wynn	H. A. Ditto
Jno. A. Miller	W. F. Moreland
Jas. M. McKee	J. H. Brigham

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Statistics on Receipts found on following pages -

TOTAL ALLOWANCE, RECEIPTS, WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' PER CENT, AND BISHOPS' COLLECTION

PREACHERS	WORK	Total Allowance	Total Receipts	Widows' & Orphans' Per Cent	Collected for Bishops
Linus Parker, P. E.	New Orleans Dist.	$3000 00	$2010 90	$ 90 00	$
Wm. V. Tudor	Carondelet Street	3000 00	3000 00	293 20	287 35
John Mathews	Felicity Street	3000 00	2639 65	460 00	300 00
Jos. D. Adams	Moreau Street	960 00	960 00	38 00	25 00
Jno. A. G. Rabe	Draydes Street	800 00	800 00	34 00	28 85
J. B. A. Ahrens	Craps Street	1000 00	666 00	26 00	15 85
J. G. Krauter (Sup)	Soraparu & Carrollton (German)	500 00	550 00	12 00	4 00
Jas. A. Ivy)	Cadiz St. and Carrollton				
T. W. Dyer)	Louisiana Avenue	3000 00	727 00	25 65	7 45
L. A. Reed, Supply)	Algiers & Thibodeaux	600 00	600 00	25 00	3 00
A. E. Goodwyn	Baton Rouge	2000 00	1600 00	64 00	20 00
B. F. White, P. E.	Opelousas District		387 00		
W. F. Easterling	Opelousas	1250 00	802 00	23 00	20 00
Thos. B. White	New Iberia	1200 00	981 30	40 00	7 25
George Bright	Franklin & Pattersonville	1200 00	1068 00	15 00	15 00
Baxter Clegg	Vermillion & Abbeville		712 00	20 30	15 00

TOTAL ALLOWANCE, RECEIPTS, WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' PER CENT, AND BISHOPS' COLLECTIONS					
Opelousas District, Cont'd.					
J. V. Pointer	Bellevue	$ 650 00	$ 375 00	$ 14 00	$ 8 00
C. A. Frazee (Supply)	Plaquemine Brule	75 00	30 00		
	Washington	450 00	326 00	13 00	10 00
	Lake Charles Mission	591 00	591 00	21 00	10 00
Thos. Mullett	Sugar Town Mission	200 00	179 00		
George W. Reeves	Calcasieu Mission	238 00	238 00		
Frederick White,P.E.	Alexandria District	$ 1000 00	275 00	6 25	
Samuel Armstrong	Alexandria & Pinev.				
Christian Keener	Evergreen & Big Cane	1000 00	400 00	16 00	5 00
Silas H. Cooper	Bayou Boeuff and				
	Spring Creek Mission	700 00	300 00	12 50	5 00
C. R. Godfrey(Sup)	Harrisonburg & Trinity				
Robert A. Davis	Columbia Circuit and				5 00
	Triune	500 00	304 00	15 00	5 00
John S. Davis,Supn'y.	Centerville Mission		200 00	8 00	2 00
Samuel H. Schroeder	Atlanta	450 00	175 00	7 00	5 00
Jno. F. Wynn	Rapides Circuit & Mis.	500 00	400 00	16 00	7 50

TOTAL ALLOWANCE, RECEIPTS, WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' PER CENT, AND BISHOPS' COLLECTIONS					
Jno. Pipes, P. E.	Shreveport District	$1200 00	$ 791 00	$31 60	$
Jno. Wilkinson	Shreveport	2500 00	2500 00	100 00	25 00
Amicus W. Williams	Caddo	1000 00	600 00	24 00	15 00
R. H. Adair	Keachie	800 00	550 00	10 00	10 00
Chas. W. Carter	Mansfield	1250 00	1045 00	50 00	29 25
Robert Parvin	Pleasant Hill	800 00	600 00	39 00	11 00
H. L. Smith,Supply	Manny	600 00	292 00	5 00	10 00
Jas. M. Franklin	Anacoco			6 50	5 00
W. D. Stayton	Springville	800 00	480 00	16 00	10 00
N. M. Skipworth, P. E.	Minden District	955 00	597 10	23 88	
W. P. Kimball	Minden	1000 00	638 00	25 60	10 00
H. O. White	North Bossier	700 00	413 75	16 55	10 00
Robert Randle	South Bossier	750 00	500 00	20 10	10 00
Jesse Fulton	Mount Lebanon	700 00	350 00	14 00	
Philip Allen	Sparta	500 00	135 00	11 85	
R. M. Crowson	Bisteneau	500 00	33 00		
S. S. Scott, P. E.	Ouachita District	1200 00	700 00	28 00	
Chas. F. Evans	Monroe	1000 00	1000 00	40 00	7 50
J. Lane Borden	Trenton			25 00	15 00
Robert T. Parish	Ouachita Circuit	600 00	456 00	18 25	19 50

J. Gordon Miller	Farmerville	$1000 00	738 66	29 50	$ 20 00
N. A. Cravens	Homer	1400 00		30 00	20 00
Jno C. Reed	Vernon	800 00	800 00	32 40	35 00
Jno W. Hearn	Castor & Louisville				
Thos J. Upton	Agent Homer College			40 00	
Joel T. Daves, P. E.	Lake Providence Dist.	$950 00	850 00	35 00	
Wm. F. Alexander	Providence Ct.	800 00	800 00	23 50	$10 00
Jas. E. Bradley	Floyd & Delhi	1200 00	886 00	34 00	15 00
T. B. Reneau,Supply)	Oak Grove	500 00			
B. F. Alexander	Waterproof & Tensas	1000 00	600 00	24 00	20 00
P. H. Dieffenweirth	Wesley & Jourdan Ch	400 00	200 00	8 00	10 00
Thos. H. McClendon	Sicily Island	800 00	410 50	25 00	10 00
Thos. H. Stone, Supernumerary					
Jas. M. McKee	Winnsboro	600 00	600 00	24 00	15 00
Jas. L. Wright	Rayville	1000 00	650 00	26 00	5 00
M. C. Manley	Bastrop	1500 00	1053 70	80 90	25 00
Jos. W. Medlock	Lind Grove	1000 00	629 00	25 16	25 42

MISSIONS

Question 29. What has been contributed for Missions?

Answer:

For Missions - - - - - - - - $4115 40

The several Circuits and Stations have contributed the following amounts for Missions during the Conference Year:

TREASURER'S REPORT

A. E. Goodwyn - Treasurer

In account with the Board of Missions of the Louisiana Annual Conference.

New Orleans District

1871			Dr.
Carondelet Street Church	$ 345 00		
Carondelet St.Sunday Sch.	250 00	$ 595 00	
Felicity Street Church	388 60		
Felicity St. Sunday School	303 30	$ 691 90	
Moreau Street Church		84 50	
Craps Street German		57 55	
Dryades Street German		113 30	
Soraparu Street German		18 85	
Cadiz Street & Louisiana Avenue		8 70	
Cadiz St. & La. Ave. Sunday School		8 85	
Algiers and Thibodeaux		6 00	
Baton Rouge		125 00	
		$1709 65	

Opelousas District

Opelousas and Washington		$ 16 00
New Iberia	$11 00	
New Iberia Sunday School	3 20	14 20
Bellevue and Kimball Chapel		8 00
Plaquemine Brule & Vermillionville		50 00
		$ 88 20

Alexandria District

Bayou Boeuf and Spring Creek	$ 25 00
Columbia	6 00
Atlanta	10 00
Rapides	10 00
	$ 51 00

Minden District

Minden Sunday School	$ 11 50
North Bossier	7 00
South Bossier	32 45
	$ 50 95

Shreveport District

Shreveport	$ 100 00
Caddo	16 00
Mansfield	15 00
Pleasant Hill	62 00
Manny	10 35
Springville	12 65
Keachie	22 20
	$ 238 20

Ouachita District

Monroe		$ 2 50
Trenton	$14 35	
Trenton Sunday School	20 70	35 05
Ouachita Citcuit		23 00

Ouachita District Cont'd

Farmerville		$ 7 25
Haynesville		42 85
Homer		10 00
		$120 65

Lake Providence District

Floyd & Delhi		$ 14 25
Waterproof & Tensas		45 00
Wesley & Jordan Chapel		6 75
Sicily Island		8 00
Winnsboro		10 00
Rayville		7 00
Bastrop	$95 00)	135 35
Bastrop Sunday School	40 35)	
Lind Grove		25 40
		$ 251 75

From Other Sources

Larkin Lay for Allen School in China		$ 20 00
Moss Bannerman (for China) gold		1 00
Charley Bannerman " " "		1 00
Mrs. Walker (for Indian Mission)		1 00
Anniversary at Carondelet Street Shurch		
Cash - - - - - -	$240 50	
Pledges	160 00	400 50
Cash - for Mexican Mission		61 50
Pledges - For Mexican Mission, R.Parvin		100 00
R. Randle		100 00
B. Clegg		100 00
J. L. Dunnica		100 00
B. F. White		100 00
Bishop George F. Pierce		100 00
J. Wilkinson		100 00
R. M. Walmsley		100 00
R. J. Harp		100 00
W. V. Tudor		100 00
H. F. Johnson		25 00

Missionary Treasury of Felicity St. Acc't.	$ 15 00
Mrs. Van Bibber	5 00
Carondelet St. Sunday School	75 00
	$1120 00

RECAPITULATION

New Orleans District - - - - - - - - -	$ 1765 65
Opelousas District	88 20
Alexandria District	51 00
Minden District	50 95
Shreveport District	238 20
Ouachita District	120 65
Lake Providence District	251 75
From Other Sources	1605 00
Cash in hand at last report	1696 10
Interest on $1696 10	30 00
Grand Total - - - - - - -	$5841 50

CREDIT

By amount paid for publishing Minutes of 1871- -	$ 100 00
By amount paid draft of Soraparu Church	250 00
By amount " " on Spring Creek "	75 00
By " " " Centerville Church	75 00
" " " " Rapides Church	75 00
" " " "Presiding Elder of Alexandria District	250 00
" " " "Presiding Elder of Opelousas District	250 00
" " " "Calcasieu Church	250 00
" " " " Presiding Elder Ouachita District	50 00
" " " " Monroe Church	300 00
" " " " Lake Providence	250 00
By amount sent to China by Felicity Street Sunday School	303 30
By amount sent to China by Moreau Street Sunday School	84 50

By amount sent to Allen School(China)		$ 20 00
By amount sent to J. B. McFerrin for Indian Mission		1 00
By amount sent to J. B. McFerrin for China (gold)		2 00
By amount -(40 per cent on $2386 10)		954 40
By amount paid Bishop Keener for Mexican Mission in Cash	$61 50	
By amount paid Bishop Keener	1120 00	-1181 50
By cash on hand		1209 80
		$5841 50

CONSTITUTION OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS

of the Louisiana Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Article 1. This Board shall be denominated and known as the Board of Missions of the Louisiana Annual Conference, and auxiliary to the Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Article 2. The Board shall consist of nine members, elected by the Conference annually. At their first meeting the Board shall elect from their number a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Board shall have power to fill all vacancies occurring by death, resignation, or otherwise.

Article 3. The President, or in his absence, the Vice President, shall preside at all meetings of the Board, and five members shall constitute a quorum for business.

Article 4. The Treasurer shall take charge of all the funds and properties of the Board, subject to the orders of the Board, and shall make

a full report annually of all the receipts and disbursements.

Article 5. The Secretary shall make full and complete records of all the proceedings of the Board, and prepare the annual report of the Board for the Louisiana Annual Conference, a copy of which report he shall forward to the Secretary of the Board of Missions of the Methodist E. Church,So., and perform auch other duties as the Board may direct.

Article 6. Forty per cent of all the funds raised for Missions, within the bounds of the Louisiana Conference, shall be remitted to the Treasurer of the Board of Missions of the Methodist E. Church, South, at Nashville, Tenn., and sixty per cent shall be expended upon the Domestic Missions of the Louisiana Conference; provided that if the whole of the sixty per cent be not required by the Domestic Missions, the surplus shall be remitted to the Treasurer of the Board of Missions of the Methodist E. Church, South.

Article 7. At the session of the Louisiana Annual Conference there shall be a Public Missionary Meeting of the Board, when the report of the Board including an abstract of the Treasurer's report shall be presented, and the interests of the Missionary cause advocated in such manner as the Board may deem expedient and provide for.

Article 8. An annual collection shall be taken up in each charge for the support of Missions by the Preacher in charge, who shall remit the same to the Treasurer of the Board as soon as practicable after the session of the Conference.

Article 9. The Board of Missions, with the presiding Bishop of the Conference, shall determine what charges shall be Missionary ground, and what amount of appropriations shall be made to each.

Article 10. This constitution shall take effect at the close of this session of the Annual Conference, and the Board elected at this session

shall be the Board of Missions for the Conference year 1871.

The following members were elected:

Officers of the Board for 1873:

President - - - - - - - - - - - - B. F. Alexander
Vice President W. H. Foster
Secretary John Wilkinson
Treasurer A.E. Goodwyn.

Board:

Clerical:	Lay:
A. E. Goodwyn	W. H. Foster
Fred White	J.Harvey Brigham
Thos. B. White	W.H.N.MaGruder
B. F. Alexander	
Jno Wilkinson	
Jno. A. Miller	

Appropriations for 1873

New Orleans District - Lafourche Mission - - - -		$250 00
Opelousas District:	$200 00	
Lake Charles	100 00	
Calcasieu	100 00	400 00
Alexandria District:-	200 00	
Bayou DeGlaize	100 00	
Atlanta Mission	150 00	
Rapides	100 00	550 00
Shreveport District		100 00
Homer District-Farmerville		200 00
Delhi District-St. Joseph		175 00
Concordia		125 00
For Publishing Minutes		100 00
		$ 1900 00

MISCELLANEOUS COLLECTIONS

MISCELLANEOUS COLLECTIONS	Church Buildings & Repairs	Parsonages	Amt. Paid for House Rent	Amount Collected The THE POOR	Total collected for all purpose
New Orleans District			$ 600 00		$2,700 00
Carondelet Street	1066 67		600 00	708 85	10,036 51
Felicity Street	$ 438 82	$2300 00	$ 910 95	$ 423 65	$ 9937 07
Moreau Street	153 90	95 14		231 25	1718 69
Dryades Street	1020 00			75 00	2124 65
Craps Street	700 00			96 00	1661 40
Soraparu & Carrollton	150 00	50 00		8 80	843 65
Cadiz Street & Carrollton & Louisiana Avenue	110 65				1000 55
Algiers & Thibodeaux	250 00			27 55	971 75
Plaquemine & Grosse Tete	800 00	200 00			1084 75
Opelousas District	$	$	$	$	$387 00
Opelousas	75 00				944 00
New Iberia	380 00				1472 70
Franklin & Pattersonville	147 00				1315 50
Vermillionville & Abbeville	11 00	203 00			1131 30

Bellevue	$	$	$	$	$413 00
Plaquemine Brulee					55 00
Washington					366 00
Lake Charles Mission					623 00
Sugar Town					179 00
Calcasieu Mission	250 00				1082 00
Grand Cheniere					25 00
Alexandria District					281 25
Alexandria & Pineville					
Evergreen & Big Cane	2000 00	1500 00			2946 00
Bayou Boeuf & Spring Creek					342 50
Simmsport Circuit					
Harrisonburg & Trinity					
Columbia Circuit					330 00
Triune					
Centerville Mission	1000 00				1210 00
Atlanta					197 00
Rapides Circuit & Mission	500 00			5 00	943 50

Shreveport District	$	$	$	$	$	$ 822 60
Shreveport		250 00	1800 00		127 00	5080 00
Caddo	30 00	480 00				1185 00
Keachie						572 00
Mansfield			900 00	250 00		2324 00
Pleasant Hill		1500 00	400 00			2712 00
Manny						318 85
Anacoco						
Natchitoches Mission						
Springville		1500 00				2024 00
Shreveport German Mis.						
Minden District						$ 620 98
Minden						705 10
North Bossier		200 00				665 30
South Bossier						52 45
Mount Lebanon		185 00				564 00
Sparta						146 00
Bisteneau						33 00
Ouachita District						728 00
Monroe		800 00			5	1855 00
Trenton						75 05

Ouachita Circuit						516 75
Farmerville						463 33
Haynesville		1500 00				2331 05
Homer		1500 00		100 00		1660 00
Vernon						867 40
Castor & Louisville						
Lake Providence District						885 00
Providence Circuit		1800 00				2633 50
Floyd & Delhi				115 00		1064 25
Oak Grove						
Waterproof & Tensas Chapel	30 00		1000 00			1719 00
Wesley & Jordan Chapel						6 75
Sicily Island						453 50
Winnsboro		5000 00				5649 00
Rayville						688 00
Bastrop				200 00	12 00	1,506 05
Lind Grove						704 98

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

EDUCATION

Homer College:

RESOLVED, That we view with gratitude to Divine Providence the success of the Board of Trustees of Homer College, and appreciate their self-sacrificing efforts to place this important Seminary on its present, and, we believe, permanent basis; that we affectionately and greatly appreciate the enterprise and untiring labors of Bro. T. J. Upton as Agent of Homer College, and are pleased, in compliance with the request of the Board of Trustees, to recommend to the Bishop and Conference his appointment at Financial Secretary.

RESOLVED, That we approve the election, and recommend the appointment of Rev. J. Lane Borden to the Presidency of Homer College.

RESOLVED, That we urge upon the ministry and people within the educational range of Homer College to continue their hitherto earnest and successful efforts in its behalf, and by every proper means to labor to fill its halls with students.

RESOLVED, That the name of N. A. Cravens be substituted for the fictitious one of N. Alexander-erroneously constituted a member of the Board of Trustees in 1872 - and that Joel T. Daves, N. M. Skipworth, R. Randle, J. E. Cobb and Charles F. Evans, be added to the Board.

RESOLVED, That we welcome the Financial Secretary to our congregations in order to raise the requisite cash amounts asked by the Board to relieve pressing liabilities.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Clerical:

John A. Miller
Joel T. Daves
N. M. Skipworth
N. A. Cravens
Thomas J. Upton
S. S. Scott
R. Randle
J. E. Cobb
Charles F. Evans
J. Wilkinson

Lay:

T. C. Standifer
G. W. Maddox
J. O. Fuqua
Robert Bowman
W. H. Foster
Rev. J. P. Davidson
Hon J. S. Young
Dr. W. G. Todd
Charles W. Arndold
W. F. Moreland
W. B. Gill
J. M. White
S. B. McCutcheon
Rev. J.H.Jordan
Hines C. Mitchell
Adolphus McCranie
Dr. D. B. Calhoun

CENTENARY COLLEGE:

RESOLVED, That our interest in our venerable and valuable Centenary College is too great to allow us to relax our efforts to conserve it faithfully to the Church; that we are highly gratified at the increased attendance of students in the halls of Centenary, and cordially as ever recommend it to the public as an institution of learning worthy the patronage of the Church and Country, and where our sons can receive ample training and culture in heart and intellect.

RESOLVED, That we ask our people to contribute liberally to complete the sum asked for the present needs of Centenary College.

RESOLVED, That we recommend the Bishop to appoint

an Agent for Centenary College, if found practicable.

PIERCE AND PAINE COLLEGE:

RESOLVED, That we recommend to the Board of Trustees of Pierce and Paine College, to secure as soon as possible, an efficient teacher and conduct it as a school of high order in the interest of the Methodist E. Church, South.

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of Pierce and Paine College be re-appointed for the ensuing year.

MANSFIELD FEMALE COLLEGE:

RESOLVED, That we congratulate ourselves on having so valuable an institution of learning in the Northwestern portion of our Conference, as Mansfield Female College, now under the efficient Presidency of Rev. Chas. B. Stewart, and that we do hereby most cordially recommend his institution to the patronage of those who have daughters to educate.

RESOLVED, That we approve the action of the Board of Trustees of Mansfield Female College in conducting in under the charge of Rev. C. B. Stuart, on the terms reported; that we regret the temporary decrease in the number of students, as we believe that the College has claims second to none of the kind in the State, and that we earnestly urge ministers and people to labor to secure a fuller sttendance at Mansfield in the ensuing year.

RESOLVED, That we recommend the Bishop to appoint the following named persons a Board of Managers for the ensuing Conference year:

Clerical:	John Pipes	Lay:
	John Wilkinson	John L. Scales
	C. W. Carter	Benj. T.Spearman

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Louisiana Conference, do recommend to the members of the Methodist E. Church, South, within our bounds, to confine their influence and patronage, where it is practicable, to members of our Church, and otherwise, to persons at least piously disposed and competent to impart a religious education, for upon this depends, to a great extent, the success of the cause of our Lord Jesus Christ.

RESOLVED, That we request the trustees and the teachers of our Schools and Colleges to insist on a thorough classical course of study, and a high standard of attainment, in all the branches of elegant learning; that they steadily and earnestly resist the growing tendency to depreciate these departments in favor of a mere utilitarian and materialistic course.

CHURCH PUBLICATIONS

RESOLVED, That, in order to maintain and strengthen the success of our Church publishing interests, we hereby pledge ourselves to renewed diligence in the sale of the books and periodicals issued at Nashville.

RESOLVED, That we shall heartily co-operate with Brother Harp in his efforts to make the branch publishing house at New Orleans a citadel of strength to our Church; and to this end we shall labor, as far as practicale, to influence our people to buy of him, in preference to others, the books, stationery, etc., which they may need.

RESOLVED, That we shall, early in the present year, make special effort to obtain new subscribers to the New Orleans Christian Advocate,

keeping before us as our aim, its introduction into every household, especially every Methodist household, especially every Methodist household within our bounds.

RESOLVED, That the Southern Review, and its Editor, Rev. Dr. A. T. Bledsoe, have our warmest regard and our profoundest admiration, and that we shall esteem it a privilege to continue to subscribe for said Quarterly ourselves, and to endeavor to influence as many of our friends as possible to do likewise.

RESOLVED, That as a Conference, we petition Rev. Dr. Redford, Publishing Agent at Nahsville, to make arrangements as early as practicable, for issuing a German Sunday School Note and Tune Book, and an abridged edition, in German, of Redford's History of the Organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

TEMPERANCE

RESOLVED, That we will agitate the subject of temperance, and bring it before the public mind in that way and by those means which we may deem the most effective.

BIBLE CAUSE

RESOLVED, That we extend to the South Western Bible Society our cordial support in this their special effort to disseminate the word of God by means of colportage.

RESOLVED, That an annual appeal for the Bible Cause be addressed to the congregations by all the charge of stations and circuits, and a collection be taken up in aid of the work of the South Western Bible Society, the time of such appeal and collection to be determined by favoring circumstances.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

RESOLVED, that we adhere to our disciplinary rule of organizing a Southern Methodist Sunday School, wherever ten children can be gathered to gether for that purpose.

RESOLVED, That we immediately and sufficiently introduce our own Sabbath School literature, especially the Amaranth, the Emerald, the Sabbath School Magazine, The Visitor, and The Little People - expunging, at the same time, all union and non-ecclesiastic books and periodicals

RESOLVED, That we endeavor, as much as possible to have none but converted men and women officiate and teach in our Sunday Schools.

RESOLVED, That we deem it of the greatest importance that our Sunday School Scholars be required to systematically commit to memory portions of the Holy Scriptures, and especially the Four Gospels.

RESOLVED, That in addition to the Lesson Paper the Catechisms of our Church be systematically taught.

CHAIRMEN OF STANDING COMMITTEES

President of Board of Missions -
Benjamin F. Alexander
Chairman Sunday Schools - J. B. A. Ahrens
Chairman Church Publications -John Wilkinson
Chairman Education - - - J. E. Cobb
Chairman Bible Cause - - R. S. Trippett
Chairman Temperance - - John Pipes

COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION AND COURSE OF STUDY:

For examination of Candidates for Admission on Trial.-J.E.Cobb, C.W.Carter, and Jno.F. Wynn.

Studies:- The Bible, in reference to doctrines generally; Wesley's Sermons on Justification by Faith, and on the Witness of the Spirit; Book of Discipline; the ordinary branches of an English education.

Committee: Class of First Year:

A. E. Goodwyn, Baxter Clegg, Jno. A. Miller.

Studies:- The Bible, in reference to its historical and biographical parts, and its chronology; Book od Discipline, with special reference to Chapter 1, sections 1 and 2; Wesley's Sermons, Voll; Ralston's Elements of Divinity; Watson's Institutes, part 4; Written Sermons on Repentance.

Books of Reference- Watson's Biblical and Theological Dictionary; Theological Compend; Fletcher's Works; Watson's Life of Wesley.

Committee - Class of Second Year:
John Mathews, B. F. White and Joel T. Daves.

Studies:- The Bible, in reference to its prophetical parts; Wesley's Sermons, Vol 2; Watson's Institutes, part 3; Smith's Elements of Divinity; Book of Discipline, with special reference to chaps 2, 3 and 4; Coppee's Rhetoric; Written Sermon on Justification by Faith.

Books of Reference - Newron or Keith on the Prophecies; Angus' Hand-book of the Bible; Claude's Essay on the Composition of a Sermon; Watson's Sermons; Bickersteth on the Spirit of Life.

Committee - Class of Third Year:-
A. W. Williams, W. V. Tudor, T. B. White.

Studies:- The Bible, in reference to the Life of Christ; Wesley's Sermons, vol 3; Watson's Institutes, part 2; Edgar's Variations of popery; Book of Discipline, chaps 5, 6 and 7;

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Written Sermon on the Witness of the Spirit.

Books of Reference:- Young's Christ of History; Neander's Life of Christ; Hickok's Mental Science; Vinet's Pastoral Theology; Steven's History of Methodism; Paine's Life of McKendree; D'Aubigne's History of the Reformation.

Committee: - Class of Fourth Year:-
J. Lane Borden, J. B. A. Ahrens, P. M. Goodwyn.

Studies:- The Bible, in reference to the Acts and Epistles, their analysis and design; Wesley's Sermons, Vol 4; Watson's Institutes, part 1; Powell on Apostolical Succession; Rivers' Moral Science; Mosheim's Church History; Summers on Baptism; Book of Discipline reviewed; Manual of Discipline, chaps 8 and 9; Written Sermon on Regeneration.

Books of Reference:- Butler's Analogy; Bingham's Antiquities; Hickok's Moral Philosophy; Hoppin's Homiletics; Wall on Infant Baptism; Litton's Church of Christ; Neander's Church History; Liddon on the Divinity of our Lord; Gonybeare and Howson's Life and Epistles of St. Paul.

Commentaries - Clark's, Watson's Exposition, Wesley's Notes, Summers on the Gospels, Stier's Words of the Lord Jesus, Lanke on the New Testament, Olshausen on the New Testament, Alford on the New Testament, Bloomfield on the New Testament, Macknight on the Epistles, Henry's Exposition, Whitby's Commentary.

Note: The examination will be confined to the course of study. The books of reference are recommended to be read, and the commentaries to be consulted.

UNDERGRADUATES

Class of First Year: - - - - -Thomas Mullett
Jno G. Krauter
Jas. S. White
Robt S. Isbell
Thos. F. Webb
Wm. V. Tudor
Jacob D. Harper
Thos. S. Randle
Jas.J.Billingsly
Wm. Hart
Albert M. Wailes

Class of Second Year: - - - - Sam'l H. Schroeder
Jno. W. Hearn

Class of Third Year - - - - - Wm. F. Alexander
Christian Keener
Philip Allen

Class of Fourth Year - - - - Jas. M. Franklin

PREACHERS' AID SOCIETY

RESOLVED, That Bishop J. C. Keener be authorized and instructed to pay over the amount in his hands belonging to the Preachers' Aid Society, to the Trustees of the New Orleans Methodist Depository, to be appropriated by them to the liquidation of the debt on the Depository building.

NEW ORLEANS METHODIST DEPOSITORY BUILDING

RESOLVED, That Dr. B. H. Moss and H. J. Mullan be elected to fill vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the New Orleans Methodist Depository Building, occasioned by the death of W. H. Dameron and removal of Bishop H. N. McTyeire to Nashville, Tenn.

MOUNT VERNON PLACE CHURCH, WASHINGTON, DISTRICT

OF COLUMBIA.

RESOLVED, That it is with sincere pleasure and the highest gratification that we welcome the Rev. Dr. Poisal to our Conference; and that we heartily commend to our people the object of his mission as agent of the Mount Vernon Place Church of Washington City.

CONFERENCE SERMON

Jno. Wilkinson was elected to preach the next Conference Sermon

VISITING COMMITTEES

Centenary College - - Jno. Mathews
A. E. Goodwyn
W. H. N. MaGruder

Homer College - - - W. R. Flournoy
James E. Cobb,
Chas. F. Evans.

Mansfield Female College:
Richard H. Adair
N. M. Skipworth
Robert Randle

Pierce and Paine College:
Jas. E. Bradley
Jas. M. Franklin
C. B. Stuart

SEAT OF NEXT CONFERENCE

Question 30. Where shall the next Session of the Conference be held?

Answer:- Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

APPOINTMENTS

Question 31. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

Answer:

New Orleans District - Linus Parker, Presiding E.
- Carondelet Street - - William V. Tudor
- Felicity Street — John Mathews
- Moreau Street — Jos. D. Adams
- Dryades Street, Ger. — J. B. A. Ahrens
- Craps Street, German — J. A. G. Rabe
- Soraparu & Carrollton — J. G. Krauter
- Cadiz Street — Jas. A. Ivy
- Louisiana Avenue — Jas. S. White
- Algiers — To be supplied by Lewis A. Reed
- Lafourche and Mission — Thomas Mullett
- Baton Rouge — A. E. Goodwyn
- Plaquemine & Grosse Tete — J. V. Pointer
- New Orleans Depository - R. J. Harp
- Blind Asylum, Baton Rouge — Patrick Lane

Delhi District - - Joel T. Daves, Presiding E.
- Monroe - - - - - - - James E. Cobb
- Trenton — Chas. F. Evans
- Bastrop — Marcus C. Manley
- Lind Grove — T. H. McClendon
- Oak Ridge & Prairie
- Mer Rouge — George Jackson
- Rayville — James L. Wright
- Winnsboro — James M. McKee and James J. Billingsley
- Waterproof and Concordia Mission - - B. F. Alexander & Albert M. Wailes
- St. Joseph — J.Gorton Miller & P.H.Dieffenweirth, Sup.
- Providence and Pecan Grove — Reynolds S. Trippett

Delhi District Appointments Cont'd.

Madison Mission - - - -	To Be Supplied
Oak Grove	Thos. S. Randle
Delhi and Floyd	Geo. M. Liverman.

Homer District - Samuel S. Scott, Presiding El.

Homer - - - - - - - -	Nehemiah A. Cravens
Haynesville	R. W. Flournoy
Minden	Henry O. White and W. P. Kimball
South Bossier	Jno. A. Miller
Sparta & Ringgold	Jos. W. Medlock
Arcadia	Jessee Fulton
Vernon	Jno C. Reed
Castor	Robt T. Parish
Louisville	Philip Allen
Ouachita	John W. Hearn
Farmerville	Robt. Parvin

President Homer College-J. Lane Borden
Agent and Financial Secretary, Homer College-Thos. J. Upton

Shreveport District - John Pipes, Presiding E.

Shreveport	John Wilkinson
Caddo	Richard H. Adair
Keachie	N. M. Skipworth
Mansfield	Chas. W. Carter
Pleasant Hill	Jas E. Bradley
Manny	Jas. M. Franklin
Anacoco & Leesville	To be supplied by H. L. Smith and J. R. Hampton
Springville	William D. Stayton
North Bossier	Robert Randle

Alexandria District - Frederick White, P. E.

Alexandria & Pineville-	Christian Keener
Bayou Boeuff & Spring Creek-	Silas H. Cooper
Evergreen	Samuel H. Schroeder.

Alexandria District Cont'd.

Big Cane - - - - - - - -	E. B. Foust
Bayou DeGlaize	To be supplied by C. R. Droddie
Simmsport	J. G. Worley
Rapides	John F. Wynn
Atlanta Mission	To be supplied
Harrisonburg & Sicily Island	John F. Marshall
Centerville	William V. Taylor
Columbia	William F.Alexander
Caldwell	C. R. Godfrey

Opelousas District - Benj. F. White, Presiding E.

Pattersonville and Brashear	Baxter Clegg
Franklin	Amicus W. Williams
New Iberia	Thomas B. White
Abbeville	R. S. Isbell
Vermillionville	J. Marshall Brown
Opelousas	Benj J. Baldwin
Washington	Jacob D. Harper
St. Landry	William Hart, and A. McPhatter,Supply
Teche	Thomas F. Webb
Lake Charles	Robert A. Davis
Lake Charles German Mission	To be supplied
Grand Cheniere	To be supplied by R. W. Hollister
Calcasieu Mission and Sugar Town	To be supplied by J. W. Williams & J. W. Monroe.

Transferred:- Wm. F. Easterling to Trinity Conference; George Bright to Florida Conference.